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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
OFFICIAL JOHN T. RHETT

FOR SALMON FROM EPA ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR GREEN

1. JOHN T. RHETT IS DEPUTY ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR WATER PROGRAM OPERATIONS, OFFICE OF WATER AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, EPA. THREE DIVISIONS UNDER HIM ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR 1) FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL WASTE WATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS; 2) PLANNING AND PROGRAMS FOR PREVENTION AND CLEAN-UP OF WATER POLLUTION FROM SPILLS OF OIL AND OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, INCLUDING OCEAN POLLUTION AND OFFSHORE OPERATIONS; 3) IMPROVEMENT OF MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER OPERATIONS THROUGH FEDERAL ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING OPERATORS TRAINING PROGRAMS.

2. RHETT WILL TRANSIT PARIS SEPTEMBER 6-9 FOLLOWING WASTEWATER TREATMENT MEETING IN USSR, AT WHICH HE HEADS AMERICAN DELEGATION.

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3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN SETTING UP
MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE FRENCH OFFICIALS FOR TECHNICAL

AND MANAGERIAL DISCUSSIONS ON THESE SUBJECTS, INCLUDING

CONSIDERATION OF CLOSER US-FRENCH COOPERATION IN THIS
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